

Child Care and Development Fund
FACT SHEET
April, 2008
Montana

Caseload

- 5,419 children were served this month in this program
- 3,367 families received subsidies for childcare through this program
- 9.2% of the families entered the program during this period
- Yellowstone County accounted for 23.4% of all families served

Children

- 87.9% of children were served in licensed care
- 9.9% of children were cared for by relatives
- Children under 1 year of age were in child care an average of 132 hours per month
- School-age children (ages 6 and older) constitute 24.5% of all children served
- White children accounted for 79.2% of all children served

Families

- 78.5% of families received subsidies because of employment
- 100.0% of families had copayments, at an average of 4.0% of income
- The average number of children served per family was 1.7
- 88.3% of families were headed by a single parent
- 12.0% of families listed TANF as a source of income

Expenditures

- The average cost of care this month per child was \$380 (monthly subsidy + parent fee)
- Parents paid 8.9% of the cost and the program paid 91.1%
- Average monthly expenditures for children under 1 year of age was \$428
- Average monthly expenditures for school-age children (ages 6 and older) was \$235
- 84.9% of total expenditures were for children under 6 years of age

Counties

- The highest average cost of care was in Gallatin County at \$471 per child
- Broadwater County ranks first in relative care statewide with 100.0% of all children cared for by relatives.